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## Transportation Permit Efficiency and Accountability Committee

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*"Participants recognize the relationship between their roles and the importance of working together to bring about a more streamlined permitting process in order to more efficiently use government resources and achieve better environmental results."*

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### Welcome!

This site presents an overview of the origins, evolution, accomplishments, and lessons learned of the Transportation Permit Efficiency and Accountability Committee (TPEAC). [Click here to read more about this site.](#) From its start in 2001, TPEAC sought to streamline the environmental permitting process for transportation projects in Washington State. Successful streamlining activities must balance permit delivery goals and environmental protection and can be measured by four criteria:

- Reduced project delivery time
- Reduced project delivery costs
- Increased environmental performance
- Customer/stakeholder satisfaction

The Committee's work to improve Washington State's transportation permitting process serves as a model for collaborative, multi-stakeholder efforts to increase regulatory efficiency while maintaining high environmental standards. We hope this website provides you with useful information about the TPEAC experience. Click on the tabs at the top of the page or on the following links to navigate the site:

- [About TPEAC](#): The Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of TPEAC, including background information, authorizing legislation, funding, and member organizations.
- [Process](#): Explores TPEAC's collaborative process, including its basic structure and subcommittees and reasons for its success.
- [Products](#): Access TPEAC's permitting products and related transportation tools.
- [Lessons Learned](#): Lessons from the TPEAC experience relating to the collaborative process and transportation permitting.
- [Practitioners' Corner](#): Tips, tools, and resources to assist in the implementation of TPEAC's products and the pursuit of similar collaborative processes.
- [Next Steps](#): Explores ongoing efforts and areas in need of further attention.

